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Dear ,

SUBMISSION TO ASIC DISCUSSION PAPER: AUSTRALIA'S EVOLVING CAPITAL MARKETS

The Australasian Investor Relations Association (AIRA) is pleased to submit this response to ASIC's Discussion Paper, Australia's Evolving Capital Markets: A discussion paper on the dynamics between public and private markets.

AIRA is the peak body representing investor relations practitioners in Australia and New Zealand. The Association's 160 corporate members represent over A\$1.2 trillion of market capitalisation, accounting for over 80% of the total market capitalisation of companies listed on ASX.

We exist to provide listed entities with a single voice in the public debate on corporate disclosure and to improve the skills and professionalism of members. Our vision and purpose are that investor relations enables and creates sustainable value for all capital market stakeholders by building and strengthening market confidence in listed and unlisted entities.

In support of this consultation, AIRA attaches a copy of its *Cost of Being Listed* (COBL) report, published in August 2023, which presents the findings of research undertaken to quantify the costs associated in maintaining a public listing on the ASX and NZX.

This research — the first of its kind in Australasia — found that the median cost of being listed on the ASX is approximately **A\$7.3 million** per annum, with key cost drivers being people expenses, audit/assurance, and Directors' & Officers' insurance. These costs, particularly for mid-sized and smaller companies, can materially impact the attractiveness of remaining listed compared with accessing private capital alternatives.

AIRA encourages ASIC to carefully consider these findings when assessing regulatory settings for public markets. A regulatory framework that maintains market integrity while ensuring the cost of compliance remains proportionate is critical to preserving a vibrant and diverse public company sector in Australia.

We thank ASIC for its leadership in this important discussion and would welcome the opportunity to engage further.

Yours sincerely



Chief Executive Officer



The Cost of Being a Listed Entity in Australasia

August 2023



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Research Purpose and Approach

Welcome to the inaugural Cost of Being Listed ('COBL') survey. As the peak industry body for the Investor Relations profession in Australasia, AIRA is constantly striving to bring new and valuable insights to Members in order to enhance best practice.

The COBL report, which to the best of our knowledge represents the first comprehensive study of the full costs of being a listed company in Australasia, aims to shed light on the growing cost - and range of costs - associated with being listed on the ASX and/or NZX in 2023.

THE 2023 COBL REPORT
CONTAINS MORE THAN 50
GRAPHS DETAILING INDIVIDUAL
COSTS ACROSS THE FOLLOWING
9 EXPENSE CATEGORIES AS
EXPERIENCED BY COMPANIES
LISTED ON THE ASX AND NZX IN
THE PAST 12 MONTHS, DIVIDED
INTO MARKET CAP SEGMENTS
(4 FOR ASX-LISTED ISSUERS AND
1 FOR NZX-LISTED ISSUERS):

1. People

6. IR Events

2. D&O Insurance

7. Regulator

Audit/Assurance
 Registry

8. Reports

IR Tools/Services

5. Exchange

The 2023 COBL survey could not have been completed without the commitment of both ASX and NZX-listed Member companies. We sincerely thank these companies (whose anonymity is preserved as a condition of participation) for their contributions and hope all Members will follow their lead by participating in the 2024 COBL survey. While there is a time commitment involved in preparing information for the survey, every Member's contribution will greatly assist in building the richness of the conclusions we are able to draw as an industry, and the value to be derived by each Company in its own activities as a listed entity.

Interpreting Results

When interpreting the results of this research, please give consideration to the following:

- ASX costs for Australian listed entities are reported in AUD and NZX costs for New Zealand listed entities are reported in NZD.
- Where a company is dual listed on both the ASX and NZX costs have been included under both market cap bands with the exception of Exchange Related fees. These have only been included in overall costs for the respective market.
- One-off costs associated with corporate actions, i.e. capital raisings were excluded from this research.
- Where we state 'insufficient information' was provided, this confirms that information was provided, but by fewer than three companies.
- In some instances we have re-categorised information where it was obviously incorrectly categorised or where by doing so we will increase the overall value of the output for all companies without impacting the accuracy of the answers provided.
- On occasion we have estimated information where we felt it was reasonable to do so and that it would provide more useful output.
- On no occasion were answers provided by an Issuer changed.

Report Highlights

ASX Listed Entities Snapshot

ASX listed entities total median cost of being listed (overall)

RESPONDENTS

ASX listed entities total median cost of being listed

(by market cap)

ASX 50	TOTAL MEDIAN COST
AUD (\$Million)	\$8.8
ASX 51-100	TOTAL
AUD (\$Million)	\$9.8
ASX 101-200	TOTAL
AUD (\$Million)	\$6.6
ASX 200+	TOTAL
AUD (\$Million)	\$4.4

TOTAL MEDIAN COST

Report Highlights continued

ASX listed entities top three costs

ASX 50	AUD (A\$MILLION)	% OF TOTAL COSTS
People	\$3.3	36%
Audit/Assure	\$3.0	33%
D&O	\$1.0	11%
ASX 51-100	AUD (A\$MILLION)	% OF TOTAL COSTS
D&O	\$4.0	39%
People	\$3.5	34%
Audit/Assure	\$1.7	16%
ASX 101-200	AUD (A\$MILLION)	% OF TOTAL COSTS
101-200	(A\$MILLION)	TOTAL COSTS
101-200 People	(A\$MILLION) \$2.7	45%
People D&O	\$2.7 \$1.2 \$1.0	45% 20%
People D&O Audit/Assure	\$2.7 \$1.2 \$1.0	45% 20% 17% % OF
101-200 People D&O Audit/Assure ASX 200+	\$2.7 \$1.2 \$1.0 AUD (A\$MILLION)	45% 20% 17% % OF TOTAL COSTS

NZX Listed Entities Snapshot

NZX listed entities total median cost of being listed - NZX 30

NZD (\$Million)

TOTAL MEDIAN COST

\$6.6m

NZX listed entities top three costs

NZX 30	NZD (NZ\$MILLION)	% OF TOTAL COSTS
People	\$2.7	47%
D&O	\$1.2	20%
Audit/Assure	\$1.0	18%

Key Observations

People:

The highest cost category observed with these costs expected to continue growing due to the increasing complexity of laws and best practices for listed companies.

D&O Insurance and Audit/Assurance:

Significant expenses were recorded in these areas, potentially influenced by the recent rise in class action lawsuits.

Total cost not directly correlated with market cap:

No direct correlation between market cap and the total cost of being listed. While the largest companies experienced the highest overall costs, mid-cap companies seemed to incur higher costs in specific categories.

Summary of Key Findings

Overall Costs

- Overall median costs for an ASX listed entities is A\$7.3 million this drops to NZ\$6.6 million for NZX listed entities.
- Hypothetical median cost per shareholder for an ASX listed entities is A\$258 and for a NZX listed entity is NZ\$193.

ASX Listed Entities

ASX 50 Companies

- Median cost for an ASX 50 company to be listed is A\$8.8 million.
- · Their top three costs were:
 - People A\$3.3 million (this represents 36% of overall total costs for this market cap band).
 - Audit/Assurance A\$3.0 million (this represents 33% of overall total costs for this market cap band).
 - D&O Insurance \$1.0 million (this represents 11% of overall total costs for this market cap band).
- IR-related costs (ex-people) account for only 4% of the overall median cost for this market cap band.
 Cost categories include Shareholder Reports (A\$115k), IR Events (A\$135k), and IR Tools (\$105k).

ASX 51-100 Companies

- Companies in the ASX 51-100 incur the highest median costs overall with their median D&O Insurance expenses being 290% higher than ASX 50 companies. It is assumed that the rise in class actions is putting upward pressure on this expense.
- Median cost for an ASX 51-100 company to be listed is A\$9.8 million.
- Their top three costs were:
 - D&O Insurance \$4.0 million (this represents 39% of overall total costs for this market cap band).
 - People A\$3.5 million (this represents 34% of overall total costs for this market cap band).
 - Audit/Assurance A\$1.7 million (this represents 16% of overall total costs for this market cap band).
- IR-related costs (ex-people) account for only 4% of the overall median cost for this market cap band.
 Cost categories include Shareholder Reports (A\$143k), IR Events (A\$144k), and IR Tools (\$95k).

ASX 101-200 Companies

- Median cost for an ASX 51-100 company to be listed is A\$6.6 million.
- Their top three costs were:
 - People A\$2.7 million (this represents 45% of overall total costs for this market cap band).
 - D&O Insurance \$1.2 million (this represents 20% of overall total costs for this market cap band).
 - Audit/Assurance A\$1.0 million (this represents 17% of overall total costs for this market cap band).
- IR-related costs (ex-people) account for only 6% of the overall median cost for this market cap band.
 Cost categories include Shareholder Reports (A\$100k), IR Events (A\$140k), and IR Tools (\$117k).

ASX 200+ Companies

- Median cost for an ASX 200+ company to be listed is A\$4 4million.
- Their top three costs were:
 - People A\$1.7 million (this represents 40% of overall total costs for this market cap band).
 - D&O Insurance \$1.1 million (this represents 26% of overall total costs for this market cap band).
 - Audit/Assurance A\$849k (this represents 20% of overall total costs for this market cap band).
- IR-related costs (ex-people) account for only 5% of the overall median cost for this market cap band.
 Cost categories include Shareholder Reports (A\$30k), IR Events (A\$108k), and IR Tools (\$65k).

NZX Listed Entities

NZ 30 Companies

- Median cost for an ASX 200+ company to be listed is A\$6.6 million.
- Their top three costs were:
 - People NZ\$2.7 million (this represents 47% of overall total costs for this market cap band).
 - D&O Insurance NZ\$1.2 million (this represents 20% of overall total costs for this market cap band).
 - Audit/Assurance NZ\$1.0 million (this represents 18% of overall total costs for this market cap band).
- IR-related costs (ex-people) account for only 6% of the overall median cost for this market cap band.
 Cost categories include Shareholder Reports (A\$100k), IR Events (A\$129k), and IR Tools (\$94k).

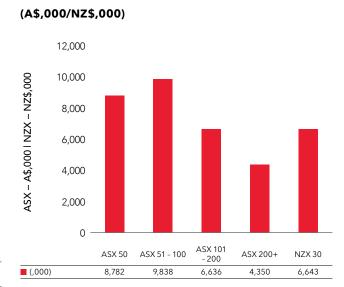
Overall Results

The full detail of the 2023 COBL survey results is in the Results by Expense Category section of this document (including low, average, median and high figures for every expense within each expense category, for the different market cap ranges, by exchange), however we are pleased to provide some of the high-level outcomes as follows:

Total Costs of Being Listed

By Exchange 70,000 60,000 ASX - A\$,000 | NZX - NZ\$,000 50,000 40,000 30,000 20,000 10,000 0 Median High Low Average — ASX 3,210 7,325 10,094 64,725

Median Overall Cost by Market Cap Band



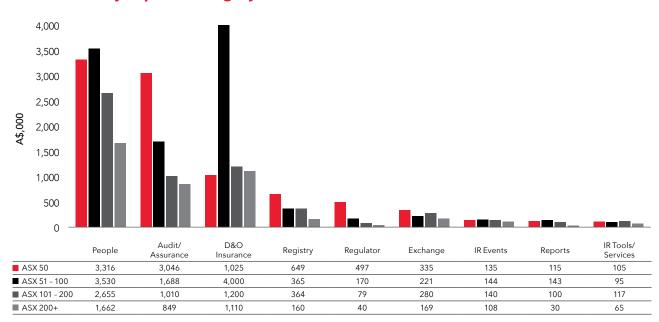
Median Cost by Expense Category - ASX

6,643

7,373

16,425

4,003

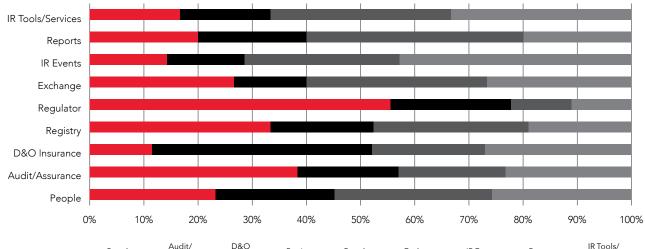


- NZX

Overall Results continued

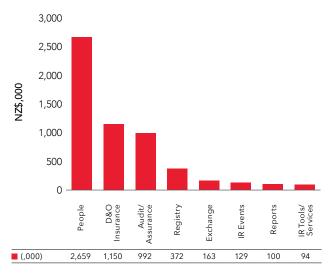
Median Costs by Expense Category - ASX

as a % of Median Overall Costs



	People	Audit/ Assurance	D&O Insurance	Registry	Regulator	Exchange	IR Events	Reports	Services
■ ASX 50	36%	33%	11%	7%	5%	4%	1%	1%	1%
■ ASX 51 - 100	34%	16%	39%	4%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%
■ ASX 101 - 200	45%	17%	20%	6%	1%	5%	2%	2%	2%
■ ASX 200+	40%	20%	26%	4%	1%	4%	3%	1%	2%

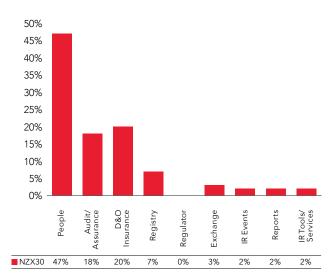
Median Cost by Expense Category - NZX



There was insufficient date to report regulator costs for NZX listed entities.

Median Cost by Expense Category - NZX

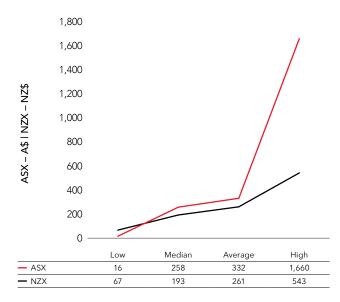
as a % of Median Overall Costs



There was insufficient date to report regulator costs for NZX listed entities.

Overall Results continued

Hypothetical Cost Per Shareholder



Key Observations

While it is tempting to draw definitive conclusions from the results of our initial survey, we are mindful that we will be better placed to do so over time and with greater Member participation.

Having said that, we believe there are several observations worth highlighting and some worthy of further examination including:

- a) People. We are not surprised to see 'People' covering Directors Fees, Investor Relations staff costs, Company Secretarial Staff costs and C-Suite costs (as a proportion of their time dedicated to IR activities including shareholder meetings and IR reporting), as the highest cost in all but one market cap category. With the growing complexity of the laws and best practice for listed entities seemingly on an ever-increasing trajectory, we expect these costs to continue growing over time. We do however, believe that investments in this area have many benefits not only to individual Issuers, but capital markets more broadly. The challenge remains in measuring the benefits associated with these expenditures in order to justify increasing budgets over time (a challenge expected to intensify in the current economic climate);
- b) **D&O Insurance and Audit/Assurance.** We see the significant sums expensed in these areas however, as significantly more problematic and possibly the results of the recent and troubling rise in class action lawsuits. This is an area we will seek to explore further, particularly in an attempt to better understand how these costs may differ for listed and unlisted entities, why they are so significant and where they may be headed in the future;

- c) Total cost not directly correlated with market cap.
 Somewhat counter intuitively, we note that in the results for both ASX and NZX listed companies, there isn't a direct correlation between market cap and total cost of being listed. While the largest companies experienced the highest overall cost, when looking at the Median cost, it was actually the next tier of companies i.e. mid, rather than large cap who seem to experience higher costs in certain categories. It seems the costs of D&O Insurance and People account for most of these differences in the 2023 survey, however we will be interested to see if these trends persist over time and with greater participation from a broader range of companies; and
- d) Correlation of Costs and Listing. Whilst respondents confirmed that they were seeing an increase in costs, overwhelmingly (93%) of respondents didn't believe the increase in ongoing costs would be a reason to consider de-listing.

Conclusion and future of the COBL survey

We hope you find the inaugural COBL survey a valuable addition to your knowledge about the costs associated with being an entity listed on Australasian equity markets.

As highlighted above, we believe the value of the survey will grow significantly over time driven largely by two key factors:

- a) Increased participation. Statistically speaking we know that a larger number of participating companies will enhance the results of the Survey, however we also believe it is important to include a broader range of companies, as we expect costs incurred are likely to vary between sectors, business models etc.; and
- b) Longitudinal comparison. As we head into a higher inflation environment we believe the ability to benchmark individual costs over time will become increasingly important for Australasian listed entities. Finally, we believe there is a strong likelihood that some of the costs associated with being listed will vary significantly as companies move through different operating phases business as usual one year vs defending against a takeover bid the next, or raising capital for their own acquisition, etc.

We thank you for your interest in the inaugural COBL survey and encourage any and all feedback that will help us improve the survey in future and help us shed light on the true cost of being a listed entity in Australasia both now and into the future.

Results Breakdown by Expense Category

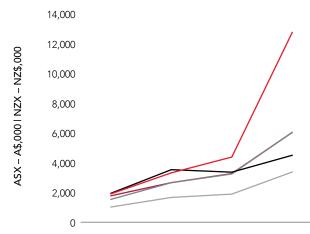
People Costs

People costs included:

- Director Fees
- C-suite costs (as a proportion of their time dedicated to IR activities including shareholder meetings and IR reporting)
- Company Secretarial Costs (in-house and/or external)
- Investor Relations Staff Costs

Overall People Costs

Breakdown by Market Cap Band



	Low	Median	Average	High
— ASX 50	1,900	3,316	4,379	12,770
- ASX 51 - 100	1,940	3,530	3,362	4,500
— ASX 101 - 200	1,530	2,655	3,241	6,041
— ASX 200+	1,016	1,662	1,887	3,374
- NZX 30	1,772	2,659	3,268	6,041

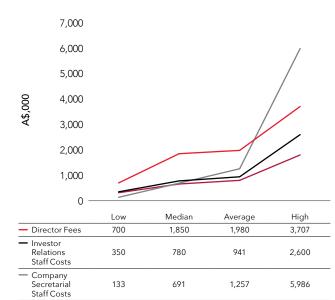
People Costs

Breakdown by Market Cap Band and Type

ASX 50

(A\$,000)

C-suite Costs

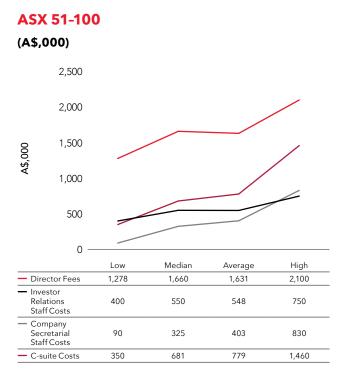


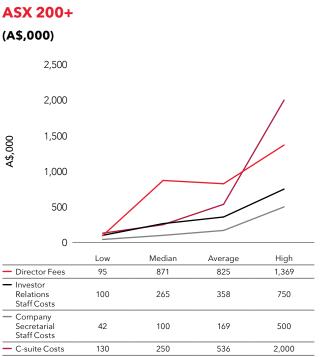
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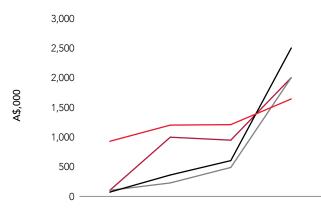
1,800





ASX 101-200

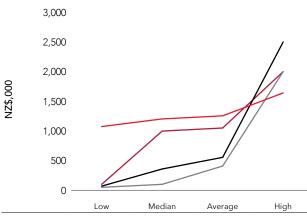
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	Low	Median	Average	High
Director Fees	927	1,200	1,208	1,641
- Investor Relations Staff Costs	70	359	601	2,500
— Company Secretarial Staff Costs	100	225	486	2,000
- C-suite Costs	100	996	946	2,000

NZX 30

(NZ\$,000)



	Low	Median	Average	High
Director Fees	1,074	1,203	1,255	1,641
InvestorRelationsStaff Costs	70	359	555	2,500
— Company Secretarial Staff Costs	50	100	409	2,000
- C-suite Costs	100	998	1,050	2,000

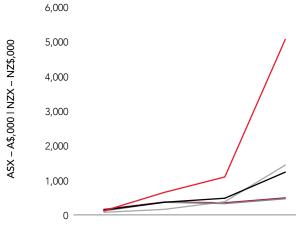
Registry Services Costs

Registry Services Costs included:

- Registry Maintenance
- Mailing Costs
- Shareholder Communications Costs
- Other

Median Overall Registry Services Costs

Breakdown by Market Cap Band



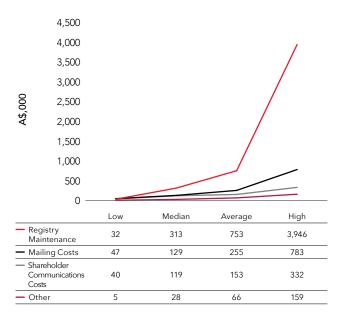
	Low	Median	Average	High
— ASX 50	117	649	1,094	5,061
- ASX 51 - 100	140	365	481	1,233
— ASX 101 - 200	116	364	326	466
— ASX 200+	76	160	381	1,437
- NZX 30	160	372	351	492

Registry Services Costs

Breakdown by Market Cap Band and Type

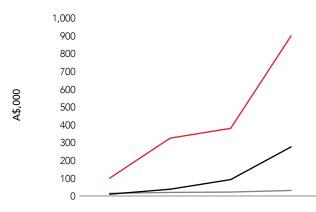
ASX 50

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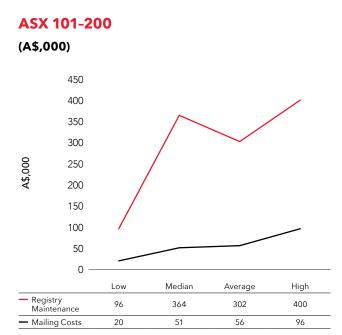
ASX 51-100

(A\$,000)



	Low	Median	Average	High
 Registry Maintenance 	100	325	380	900
- Mailing Costs	10	38	92	276
— Shareholder Communications Costs	15	20	22	31

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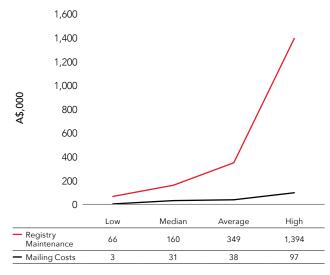
There was Insufficient Data to report Shareholder Communications Costs and Other for this Market Cap Band.

NZX 30 (NZ\$,000) 600 500 400 99 200 100 Low Median Average High Registry Maintenance 160 372 351 492

There was Insufficient Data to report Mailing Costs, Shareholder Communications Costs and Other for this Market Cap Band.

ASX 200+

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There was Insufficient Data to report Shareholder Communications Costs and Other for this Market Cap Band.

Exchange Fees

For ASX listed entities, Exchange Fees include:

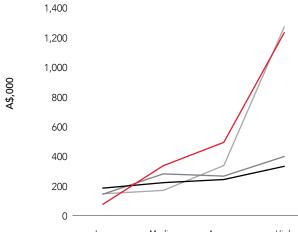
- ASX Listing Fees
- CHESS Fees
- ASX Chess Statements

For NZX listed entities, Exchange Fees only included Listing Fees.

Where a company was dual listed respective exchange fees were broken out and only included in the overall costs relating to the relevant exchange.

Exchange Fees - ASX

Breakdown by Market Cap Band



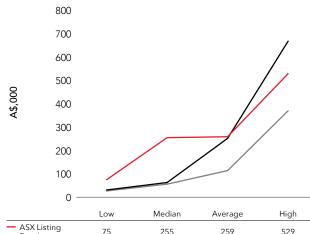
	Low	Median	Average	High
- ASX 50	75	335	492	1,230
- ASX 51 - 100	184	221	242	331
— ASX 101 - 200	143	280	265	397
— ASX 200+	146	169	336	1.269

Exchange Fees - ASX

Market Cap Band and Type

ASX 50

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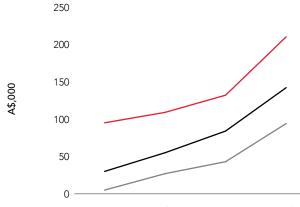


	Low	Median	Average	High
- ASX Listing Fees*	75	255	259	529
- CHESS Fees	31	63	252	668
— ASX Chess Statements	27	56	114	370

^{*} If applicable.

ASX 51-100

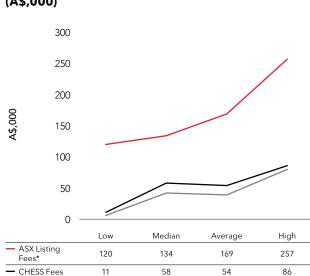
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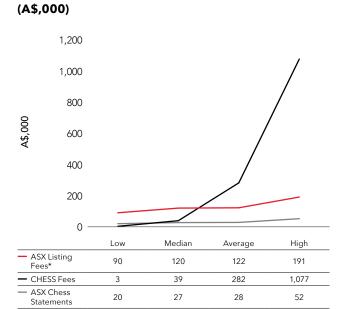
	Low	Median	Average	High
ASX Listing Fees*	95	109	132	210
- CHESS Fees	30	55	84	142
— ASX Chess Statements	5	27	43	94

^{*} If applicable.

ASX 101-200 (A\$,000)



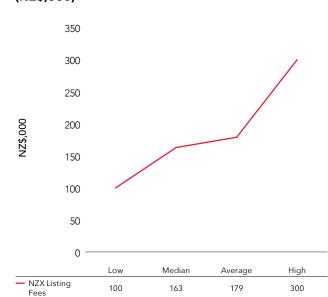
⁻ CHESS Fees — ASX Chess Statements * If applicable.



^{*} If applicable.

Exchange Fees - NZX

Breakdown by Market Cap Band - NZX 30 (NZ\$,000)

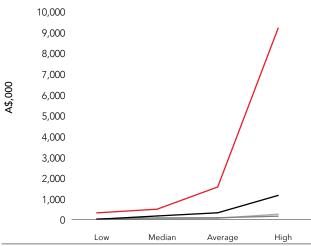


ASX 200+

ASIC Levy

ASX Listed Entities

Breakdown by Market Cap Band



	Low	Median	Average	High
— ASX 50	319	497	1,563	9,200
- ASX 51 - 100	10	170	323	1,158
— ASX 101 - 200	32	79	85	160
— ASX 200+	8	40	60	256

NZX Listed Entities

There was insufficient data to report on NZX listed entity fees paid for the NZ Financial Markets Authority Levy.

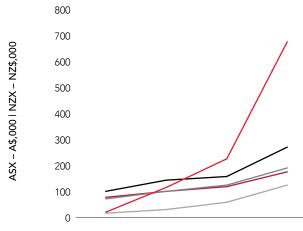
Shareholder Reports

Shareholder Reports included:

- Annual Report
- Half-year Report (if applicable)
- Quarterly Report (if applicable)
- Sustainability Report (where not included in the annual report)
- Modern Slavery Report
- TCFD Report
- Integrated Report
- Other

Shareholder Reports Overall Costs

Breakdown by Market Cap Band

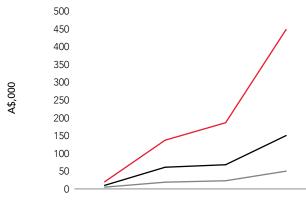


	Low	Median	Average	High
— ASX 50	20	115	225	675
- ASX 51 - 100	100	143	157	270
— ASX 101 - 200	71	100	124	190
— ASX 200+	16	30	58	124
- NZX 30	77	100	118	175

Shareholder Reports Breakdown by Market Cap Band and Report Type

ASX 50

(A\$,000)



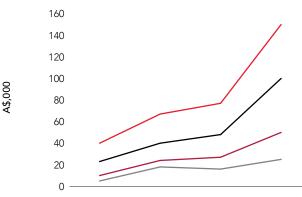
	Low	Median	Average	High
— Annual Report	20	137	186	448
Sustainability Report*	10	61	68	150
Modern Slavery Report	5	19	23	50

^{*} Where not included in the Annual Report.

There was insufficient data to report Half-year, Quarterly, TCFD and Integrated Reports for this Market Cap Band.

ASX 51-100

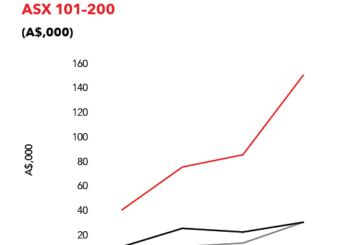
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	Low	Median	Average	High
— Annual Report	40	67	77	150
— Sustainability Report*	23	40	48	100
— Modern Slavery Report	5	18	16	25
- TCFD Report	10	24	27	50

^{*} Where not included in the Annual Report.

There was insufficient data to report Half-year and Integrated Reports for this Market Cap Band.



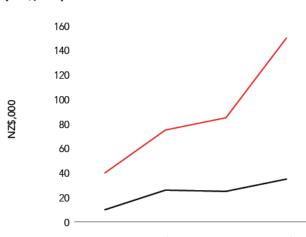
	Low	Median	Average	High
- Annual Report	40	75	85	150
Half-Year Report*	10	25	22	30
— Modern Slavery Report	2	10	13	30

^{*} If applicable.

There was insufficient data to report Quarterly, Sustainability, TCFD and Integrated Reports for this Market Cap Band.

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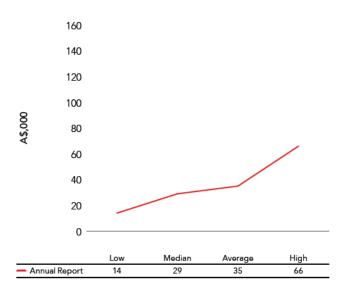
	Low	Median	Average	High
— Annual Report	40	75	85	150
 Half-Year Report* 	10	26	25	35

^{*} If applicable.

There was insufficient data to report Sustainability, Modern Slavery, Quarterly, TCFD and Integrated Reports for this Market Cap Band.

ASX 200+

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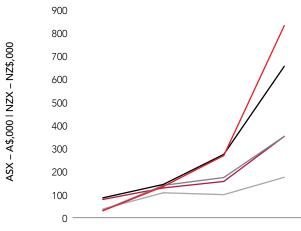
Investor Relations Events

Investor relations events included:

- Results Briefings
- Investor Days
- Site Tours
- Annual General Meetings
- Domestic/International Non-deal Roadshows
- Broker Conferences
- Sustainability Roadshows
- Governance Roadshows
- Other

Investor Relations Events Overall Cost

Breakdown by Market Cap Band

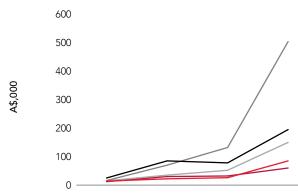


	Low	Median	Average	High
— ASX 50	30	135	269	831
- ASX 51 - 100	86	144	274	655
— ASX 101 - 200	32	140	174	352
— ASX 200+	38	108	100	175
- NZX 30	79	129	157	352

Investor Relations Events Breakdown by Market Cap Band and Report Type

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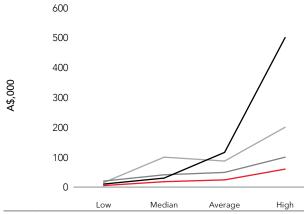


	Low	Median	Average	High
 Results Briefings 	14	22	26	85
 Investor Days 	25	85	78	195
— AGMs	16	70	132	504
— Dom/Int Non-Deal R'shows	15	35	52	150
Broker Conferences	12	30	32	60

There was insufficient data to report on Site Tours, Sustainability & Governance Roadshows for this Market Cap Band.

ASX 51-100

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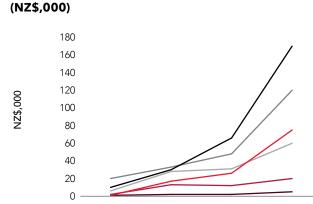
	Low	Median	Average	High
- Results Briefings	5	18	24	60
 Investor Days 	10	30	116	500
— AGMs	20	41	49	100
— Dom/Int Non-Deal R'shows	15	100	87	200

There was insufficient data to report on Site Tours, Broker Conferences, Sustainability & Governance Roadshows for this Market Cap Band.

ASX 101-200 (A\$,000) 180 160 140 120 100 80 60 40 20 0 Median Low Average High Results 14 45 Briefings 30 88 94 170 Investor Days - AGMs 6 60 66 150 Dom/Int 1 22 55 26 Non-Deal R'shows Broker 2 13 12 20 Conferences

There was insufficient data to report on Site Tours, Sustainability & Governance Roadshows for this Market Cap Band.

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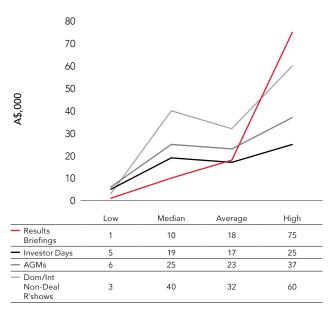


	Low	Median	Average	High
- Results Briefings	1	17	26	75
 Investor Days 	10	30	66	170
— AGMs	20	33	48	120
— Dom/Int Non-Deal R'shows	6	28	31	60
Broker Conferences	2	13	12	20
 Governance Roadshows 	1	2	2	5

There was insufficient data to report on Site Tours and Sustainability Roadshows for this Market Cap Band.

ASX 200+

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There was insufficient data to report on Site Tours, Broker Conferences, Sustainability & Governance Roadshows for this Market Cap Band.

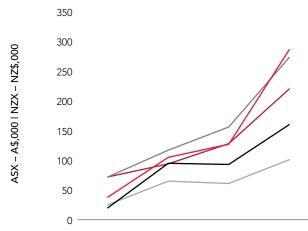
Investor Relations Tools

This category included a breakdown of costs relating to:

- IR Website
- IR CRM/Database
- Verification Software*
- Share Register Analysis (regular)
- Share Register Analysis (AGM related)
- Sentiment Surveys
- Memberships (i.e. AIRA)
- Board Meeting Software*
- Other* (please note, given the low response rate Verification Software and Board Meeting Software have been reported under other)

Investor Relations Tools Overall Costs

Breakdown by Market Cap Band

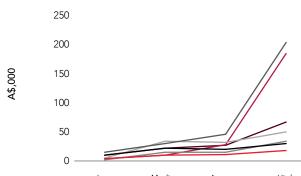


	Low	Median	Average	High
— ASX 50	38	105	127	286
- ASX 51 - 100	20	95	93	160
— ASX 101 - 200	72	117	156	273
— ASX 200+	25	65	61	101
— NZX 30	72	94	128	220

Investor Relations Tools Costs Breakdown by Market Cap Band and Type

ASX 50

(A\$,000)



Low	Median	Average	High
4	10	11	18
10	22	20	30
15	30	46	204
2	15	15	34
5	34	32	50
4	10	28	185
10	22	27	67
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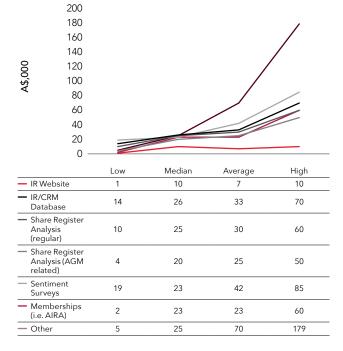
Other includes board meeting software and verification software.

ASX 51-100 (A\$,000)70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 Low Median High Average - IR/CRM Database 15 Share Register Analysis 15 28 26 40 (regular) Sentiment 18 40 40 60 Surveys Memberships 5 6 8 (i.e. AIRA)

There was insufficient information to report on IR websites and share register analysis (AGM related) and other for this Market Cap Band.

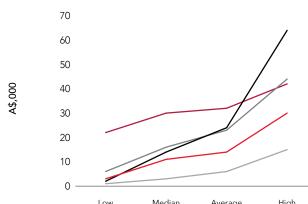
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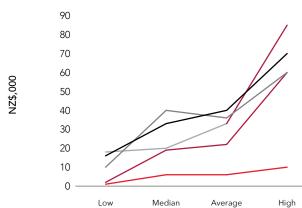


	Low	Median	Average	High
- IR Website	3	11	14	30
IR/CRM Database	2	14	24	64
— Share Register Analysis (regular)	6	16	23	44
— Memberships (i.e. AIRA)	1	3	6	15
— Other	22	30	32	42

There was insufficient data to report on share register analysis (AGM related) and sentiment surveys for this Market Cap Band.

NZX 30

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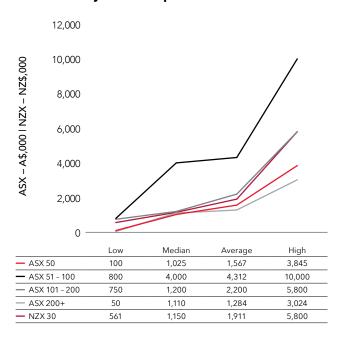


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- IR Website	1	6	6	10
IR/CRM Database	16	33	40	70
— Share Register Analysis (regular)	10	40	36	60
SentimentSurveys	18	20	33	85
 Memberships (i.e. AIRA) 	2	19	22	60

There was insufficient data to report on share register analysis (AGM related) and sentiment surveys and other for this Market Cap Band.

D&O Insurance

Breakdown by Market Cap Band



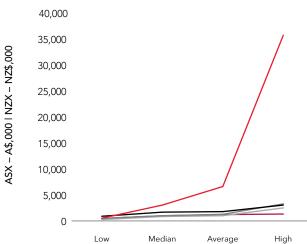
Audit/Assurance Costs

Audit/Assurance costs, included:

- Annual Audit
- Assurance Processes for Sustainability Reporting

Audit/Assurance Overall Costs

Breakdown by Market Cap Band

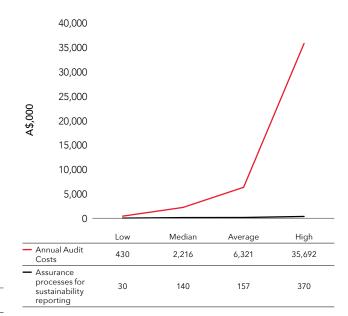


	Low	Median	Average	High
— ASX 50	525	3,046	6,611	35,692
- ASX 51 - 100	900	1,688	1,791	3,050
— ASX 101 - 200	477	1,010	1,278	3,284
— ASX 200+	263	849	1,008	2,500
- NZX 30	477	992	1,217	1,329

Audit/Assurance Costs Breakdown by Market Cap Band and Type

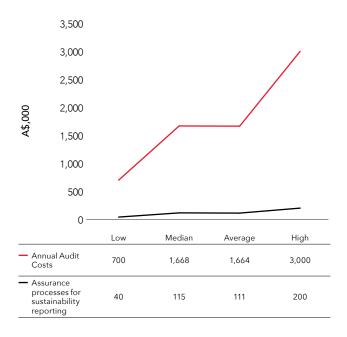
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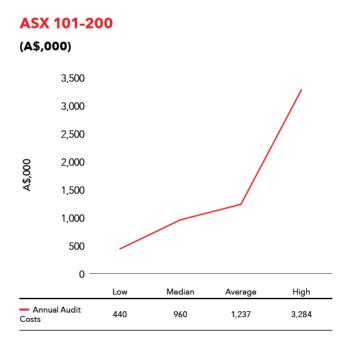
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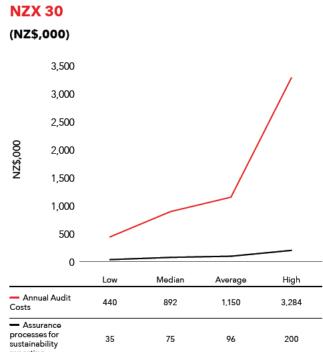
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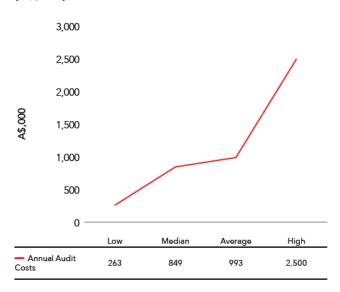
There was insufficient data to display Assurance costs for this Market Cap Band.



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ASX 200+

(A\$,000)



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